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| IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION |) |
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| OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF |) CONSENT ORDER |
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| BALKRISHNA NIGAM, M.D. |) |
| LICENSE NO. MA 39594 |) |
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| TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND SURGERY |) |
| IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY |) |
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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners upon receipt of a Consent Agreement and Order filed by the New York State Department of Health, State Board for Professional Medical Conduct in which the respondent agreed that he could not successfully defend against one of the allegations set forth in the Statement of Charges alleging one specification of professional misconduct. Specifically, respondent was charged with engaging in negligence on more than one occasion, in that with regard to Patient A he failed to administer antibiotics with meningitis coverage, and he failed to immediately intubate that patient as well as he inappropriately discharged Patient B without



physician in the Emergency Room at Victory Memorial Hospital, Brooklyn, New York. Pursuant to the New York Consent Agreement and Order respondent's license to practice medicine is suspended until such time as he fulfills the requirement to participate and successfully complete a course of education or training as set forth in the Conditions of Retraining annexed to the Order.

In lieu of the Board filing a Provisional Order of Discipline suspending respondent's license to practice medicine in New Jersey, based upon the New York Consent Agreement and Order, the Board and respondent seek to resolve this matter without resort to further proceedings, and recognizing that respondent will immediately submit to a focused evaluation as set forth herein, and the Board finding that the within Order is sufficiently protective of the public interest, and for good cause shown,

IT IS ON THIS Q DAY OF T_4/y , 2003 ORDERED:

1. Respondent shall submit no Later than thirty (30) days from the filing of this Consent Order, to a focused evaluation of his practice, by an organization pre-approved by the Board, to determine his capabilities and judgment as a physician. The evaluation report shall be submitted directly to the Board by the evaluator no later than thirty (30) days from the actual evaluation.

- 2. Respondent authorizes the Board to provide the evaluating organization with any information which it possesses for use in the evaluation process.
- 3. Respondent agrees to pay all costs associated with any evaluation.
- 4. Respondent agrees to sign any releases necessary to enable the evaluating organization to provide its report directly to the Board, and explicitly consents that the report and recommendation could be introduced as a public document in any future disciplinary action.
- 5. Upon receipt of the evaluation report, respondent agrees to adhere to all recommendations in the report, specifically but not limited to additional education, monitoring or limitations upon his practice.
- 6. Respondent shall appear before a Committee of the Board and demonstrate full satisfaction of this Order including completely fulfilling any recommendations made by the evaluating organization. The Board reserves the right to bring further proceedings if the report reveals a need for respondent to cease practice.

STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

David M. Wallace, M.D.

President

I have read and I understand the terms and conditions of the within Order and agree to be bound by the terms of this Order. I hereby give my consent to the entry of this Order.

Balkrishna Nigam, M.D.

Consent as to the form of this Order is hereby given.

Donna Mantell, Esq.

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